## PIPELINE Program

# Competency Model for Information Technology IT Support Career Cluster Pathway

Employer-Specific Requirements	Occupation-Specific Competencies*			
	Customer Service Procedures Troubleshooting Protocol Communication Skills IT Help Ticket Tracking Software Company Specific Software			
	*Other on-the-job training associated with a spec occupation	ific		
Cross-Occupa	itional Technical Competencies*			
Help Desk ————————————————————————————————————	Hardware & Software High Availability Installation/ Design &	Incident lanagement		
Industry-Wide Technical Competencies				
Technology Applications Wireless &	Software evelopment and Customer Media and Support Visualization Complian	Risk Mgmt., Security and Information Assurance		
IT Pillars: Infrastructur	re Development Security	Data		
Wor	rkplace Competencies			
leamwork	ovative Planning Problem ovative and Solving and inking Organizing Making	Working With Tools and Technology		
Aca	demic Competencies			
ding Writing Mathematics	Science Communication Analytic Thinking	Fundamental		
Persona	I Effectiveness Competencies			
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Based on: Information Technology Competency Model Employment and Training Administration, U.S Dept. of Labor, September 2012.

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<sup>\*</sup>The PIPELINE Program recommends the Industry-Sector Technical Competencies as formal training opportunities (provided through related instruction) and the Occupation-Specific Competencies as on-the-job training opportunities.



#### **Competency Model for IT Support Career Cluster Pathway Occupations**

#### **Possible IT Support Career Cluster Pathway Occupations**

- Application Support Lead/Manager/Technician
- Applications: Analyst/Developer/Engineer/Production
   Support/Specialist
- Business Analyst
- Client Support Technician
- Computer Help Desk Specialist
- Computer Repair Technician
- Computer Service Technician
- Computer Support: Analyst/Specialist/ Technician
- Computer Technician
- Configuration Technician
- Customer Engagement Leader/Representative
- Customer Engineer Representative
- Customer Service Representative
- Customer Success Engineer
- Customer Support Engineer/Technician
- Computer User Support Specialist
- Database Administrators
- Data Warehousing Specialist
- Deployment Technician
- Deskside Support: Representative/Specialist/Technician
- Desktop: Administrator/Analyst/Support Analyst/Support Specialist/Technician
- Document Management Specialist
- End User: Support/Specialist/Technician
- Entry Level Help Desk
- Field Support: Specialist/Technician
- Hardware Technician
- Help Desk: Administrator/Agent/Analyst/Technician/ Associate/Coordinator/Engineer/Representative/Speciali st/ Support/Team Lead
- Inbound Technical Support Call Center

- Information Systems: Analyst/Specialist/Technician
- Information Technology:
   Administrator/Analyst/Assistant/
   Consultant/Manager/Recruiter/Specialist
- Information Technology Support: Analyst/Specialist/
   Technician
- Infrastructure Support Engineer
- It Help Desk: Associate/Representative
- IT Support: Assistant/Associate/Coordinator/Engineer
- IT Systems Analyst
- IT Technical Support
- Network: Administrator/Analyst/ Consultant/Engineer/
- Manager/Operations
   Analyst/Specialist/Support/Technician
- Operations: Specialist/Technician
  - PC Analyst
- PC Support: Specialist/Technician
- Product Support: Specialist/Analyst
- Production Support Analyst
- Project Manager Customer Engagement
- Repair Technician
- Sales Specialist
- Security Administrator
- Service Desk: Analyst/Specialist/Technician
- Service Desk Specialist
- Service Technician
- Software Development Engineer
- Software Manager
- Software Support: Analyst/Representative/
   Specialist/Technician
- Supervisor, Technical Support
- Support: Analyst/Specialist

- Systems: Administrator/Analyst/Engineer/ Software
- Support
- Systems Support:

Administrator/Representative/Specialist

- Technical Support Specialist
- · Technical Help Desk
- Technical Services:

Coordinator/Engineer/Representative/

Specialist/Technician

Technical Support: Advisor/Agent/Analyst/Assistant/

Associate/Coordinator/Lead/Professional/Supervisor

Technician

- Technical Writer
- Training Specialist
- User Support: Analyst/Specialist
- · VoIP Technician
- · Workstation Technician

This list is intended to be a guide of potential occupations available within the Information Management & Analytics Pathway. Other position titles may be used based on an employer's organizational structure.

#### **Cross-Occupational Technical Competencies**

<u>Help Desk</u> – Learn to assist with problems and provide guidance about products such as computers, electronic equipment and software.

<u>Troubleshooting/Repair</u> – Knowledge how to use trouble ticket tracking systems and how to connect remotely to users computers.

<u>Maintenance</u> – Modification of a system to correct faults, to improve performance, or to adapt the system to a changed environment or changed requirements.

User Training – deliver end user training to support the development of the team.

<u>Hardware & Software Installation/Deployment</u> – Understanding of procedures to install, configure, operate and repair individual workstations and software applications.

<u>High Availability Design & Support</u> – Knowledge of an agreed level of operational performance and support for a higher than normal period.

<u>Incident Management</u> – Learn to identify, analyze and correct hazards to prevent a future IT re-occurrence.

#### Occupation-Specific Competencies, typically addressed in on-the-job training

<u>Customer Service Procedures – Practice good customer service skills by using professional communication techniques and technical expertise.</u>

<u>Troubleshooting Protocol</u> – Ability to apply logic over technical components, including computers, software or hardware, to identify faults.

<u>Communication Skills</u> – effectively communicate with internal and external customers to gather information regarding system function and maintenance.

<u>IT Help Ticket Tracking Software</u> – Use of software to create, update and resolve reported customer issues. <u>Company Specific Software</u> – Demonstrate ability to locate, fix or bypass errors in company specific software.

#### **Possible IT Support Career Cluster Pathway Certifications**

- CompTIA A+
- ComTIA Network+
- CompTIA Server+
- ITIL Foundations
- CCNA or CCNP

- MCSA or MCSF
- HCI SCA
- HCI TSP
- Apple ACSP
- VCP

### IT Support Career Cluster Pathway Training Plan

	List Course/Training Name and Title	Description of Courses and/or Training Program	List Responsible Provider: Company, College, Trainer, or other	Anticipated Completion Date	
Related Instruction Competencies					
Help Desk					
Troubleshooting/Repair					
Maintenance					
User Training					
Hardware & Software Installation/Deployment					
High Availability Design & Support					
Incident Management					
On-The-Job Training Competencies					
Customer Service Procedures					
Troubleshooting Protocol					
Communication Skills					
IT Help Ticket Tracking Software					
Company Specific Software					